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### BETHEL

Ernest E. Hanna May Lose Sight of the Left Eye.

Ernest E. Hanna, who runs a lathe at the granite sheds, probably lost the sight of his left eye yesterday afternoon when a fuse of his motor blew out and shattered one lens of his eyeglasses, driving several pieces of glass into the eyeball. Dr. F. A. Edmunds, to whose office he was carried by Superintendent George W. Clark, removed the pieces of glass and he went at once to consult a specialist at Hanover, N. H. Dr. Edmunds believes from what he observed, that the sight is destroyed. Mr. Hanna is one of the best known stonecutters, having lived here with his family many years. His wife went with him to the hospital.

Mrs. W. D. Walker of Montpelier and Miss Belle Harwood of Waltham, Mass., are guests at F. F. McCullough's.

A. L. Morse and family are occupying their cottage at Bethel Gilead.

Mrs. Lena Mason has returned from a visit of several weeks in Enosburg Falls, her former home.

Mrs. J. G. Sargent went to Northfield Thursday with Rev. J. B. Sargent, who was here to attend the funeral of Mrs. Josephine Wilson. Next Monday she will go to Keene, N. H., to visit her nephew, E. L. Messer, formerly a clerk at the Sargent store.

Miss Mabel Annis of Pittsfield, a recent nurse graduate of the Randolph sanatorium, who also has passed the state examination, is a guest of Dr. and Mrs. F. A. Edmunds.

H. H. Cross, R. B. Allen and O. H. Humphrey of Northfield were Bethel in guests yesterday.

### EAST CORINTH

Universalist church—Sunday, Aug. 8, service at Wrights mountain at 3:30 p. m.; at East Corinth at 8 p. m. Sunday school at 1:30 p. m. Tuesday, Aug. 10, the ladies circle meets at Mrs. Gardner Boyd's in the afternoon. The ladies of the Congregational church are invited also. Mrs. Boyd of Dedham, Mass., will address the meeting on "Woman Suffrage."

A silver medal contest will be held at schoolhouse hall, East Corinth, Aug. 9 at 8 p. m., with the following program: March of young campaigners in costume; instrumental music; recitation, Miss Verna Holland; recitation, Oliver Dow; song and tableau, Catherine Zwicker, Helen Bowen, Blain Rowland, Dorothy Cook, Madeline Cook; recitation, Gladys Thompson; recitation, Leslie Haynes; young campaigners' flag drill; "The Song of Our Syrian Guest," produced by Miss Catherine Bassett of Bridgeport, Conn. Mrs. Howard Brainerd and Misses Esther Chamberlain, Ethel Sweet and Verna Holland; the national anthem.

### GROTON

Mr. and Mrs. John Morton and three daughters of Boston are visiting Mr. Morton's brother, W. B. Morton, and wife.

Miss Christina Anderson of Waterbury is at the home of her grandfather, A. S. Clark.

Mrs. C. B. Maxfield of West Haven, Conn., arrived here Wednesday on a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Page.

Mrs. George Eastman of Topsham has been at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Dexter Whitehill, several days this week.

Mrs. E. A. Hood of Topsham was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Lord a part of the week on her return from a visit at Derby Line.

C. E. Dickerman of Topsham was in town Monday and purchased a Maxwell automobile of the Groton Garage Co.

Miss Lorena Rabinow of Worcester, Mass., has been in town this week visiting her uncles, Charles and Frank Jordan.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Renfrew left yesterday on a trans-continental trip to the Panama-Pacific exposition.

Mrs. M. D. Coffin and Mrs. G. E. Eastman were visitors in Montpelier on Wednesday.

L. H. Roscoe of the Roscoe Printing House, Essex Junction, was a caller at the Methodist parsonage Tuesday, being on an automobile trip through this vicinity.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Rivers and children of Worcester, Mass., who have been guests of Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Knox, left Wednesday for Vergennes.

Miss Mildred Eastman, who has been visiting relatives here and at Topsham, returned home yesterday.

The annual picnic and reunion of the Welch family will be held at the Welch farm Thursday, Aug. 12. Everybody is invited. Dinner will be served at noon and those who wish can bring something for the dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Taylor returned the first of the week from their trip to Canada.

R. A. Davidson, who sold his automobile to Ryegate parties, has purchased a new Maxwell car of the Groton Garage Co.

Miss Hazel Eastman returned from Cottage hospital, Woodsville, N. H., on Wednesday, where she submitted to an operation for adenoids and the removal of the tonsils.

Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Clark, Mrs. Emma J. Clark, accompanied by Mrs. Josephine Clark of Wells River and Dr. and Mrs. G. C. Cowan of Montpelier, left Thursday for Boston. They will return in a seven-passenger Studebaker automobile which Mr. Clark will purchase for the Groton Garage Co.

### GRANITEVILLE

Regular meeting of division No. 3, A. O. H., will be held in Miles' hall Tuesday evening, Aug. 10, at 7:30 o'clock. There will be a smoke talk after meeting. All members are requested to be present. Per order secretary.

### RANDOLPH

Postmaster and Mrs. Frank H. Clark of Windsor were entertained over Thursday night by Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Dodge and left for their home Friday.

Mrs. Hazel Fairbanks Thomas of Salisbury arrived here Friday for a short stay with her mother, Mrs. Edna Fairbanks.

Mr. and Mrs. William Densmore of Northfield were entertained Friday by Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Mann.

Miss Mae Ladue went to Richmond Friday to visit her brother and wife, Mr. Ladue being station agent at Richmond.

Mrs. Norton, who has been here from Berlin to assist her daughter, Mrs. LaRose, in moving to the house of Mrs. C. R. Pratt, returned home Friday.

Miss Ellen Matthews went to Rochester Friday for a several weeks' stay with relatives.

Misses Bertha and Mary Morse have sold their place on Pearl street to Henry Farr, the price being understood to be \$2,000.

Mrs. W. A. Reynolds and daughter, Miss Hilda Reynolds, went to Stratford Friday for a few days' visit with relatives.

Mrs. Jerome Hart closed a three weeks' visit with her daughter, Mrs. F. P. Chase, Friday, and went to her home in Waterbury.

Mrs. Julia Cameron, a guest of Mrs. J. E. French for several days, went Friday to Northfield Falls to visit her sister.

Mrs. F. B. Conner is quite ill from an attack of indigestion, having come home from Barre nearly ill.

Thomas Bridges went to Boston Friday to study the automobile business for a short time, having been obliged to give up granite cutting on account of his health.

John Chase of Newtonville, Mass., is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. S. Chase, who have also with them their daughter and husband, Rev. and Mrs. Frederick Leeds of Shelburne Falls, Mass.

The school directors have engaged the services of Miss Lucille DeReynolds of Assonet, Mass., for special teacher of music and elocution. Miss DeReynolds is a graduate of the Emerson College of Oratory, Boston.

Mrs. Moses Spaulding has gone to St. Albans for a several weeks' visit with her son, Frank Spaulding, and family.

M. C. Rowell and Mrs. Thaddeus Wells went to Cambridge Friday on a business trip.

Miss Freida Prince has gone to Hardwick for the rest of the summer with relatives.

Mrs. William Bruce and son and daughter of Boston are passing several days here with Mr. Bruce's mother, Mrs. Alice Bruce.

Fred Smith is taking a vacation from his work in the store of J. B. Adams, and he and Mrs. Smith have been in Montpelier.

Miss Hazel Campbell came home Saturday from a week passed in Hartland at Fred Spafford's, where Miss Ruth Root of this place is also a guest.

William Goodheart was in Enosburg Falls over Sunday, where he and Alva to Higgle Springs, where he and Alva Campbell have the cottage of Mrs. DuBois at Camp Randall.

Mrs. L. W. Pratt and granddaughter, Lorna Culver, of Moira, N. Y., have come for a several days' stay with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Stiles.

Mrs. Orinda Cole has returned from a month's stay in Boston and vicinity.

Miss Carrie Brockton of Jay, N. Y., is visiting Miss Beatrice Pinney.

M. A. Tewksbury has come home from York Beach, N. Y., after passing several days there with Mrs. Tewksbury.

Mrs. Frank Harrington of West Lebanon, N. H., is passing several weeks with Mr. and Mrs. N. C. Greene.

Mrs. Arthur Drake and two children are with Mrs. Drake's parents in Hancock for a short visit.

Frank Bacon has gone to Waterbury to work in the Demerit canning factory for about three weeks.

Miss E. S. Fogg started Wednesday night for Chicago, where she went to visit her sister. She was joined at St. Albans by Mrs. Chester Bascomb and child, who made the trip with her.

Rev. J. H. Thompson returned Monday from a two weeks' stay in Hartford, Conn., and with him came Mrs. Thompson's sister, Mrs. Ralph Sanford, and children, who remain here during the absence of Mr. Thompson through the month of August in camp at North Hero.

A son was born Monday to Mr. and Mrs. Guy Woodard in Seattle, Wash., the child being grandson to Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Woodard of this place.

Miss Florence Hobart has resumed her work in the store of Bell Bros., after a month's absence passed at her home in Windsor.

Mrs. Richard Wiswall of Salem, Mass., is at the Wiswall cottage.

### MIDDLESEX

Mrs. Carrie Hood, who has been visiting at her parental home, returned to Derry, N. H., Thursday.

H. D. Bragg and Mrs. F. A. Bragg, who have been visiting at F. G. Eaton's, returned to their home in Fayston on Thursday.

Mrs. Elbridge Burnham went Friday to visit her parental home in East Calais. Mr. Burnham will join her this evening.

Mrs. Samuel Somerville of Waterbury visited her daughter, Mrs. George Bruce, and family Wednesday.

Miss Mildred Gove of Watfield spent Friday with friends in town.

A good number of the members of the Home circle met at the home of Mrs. Raymond Thursday afternoon. Work was furnished by the circle. Refreshments were served and a very pleasant time enjoyed by all.

Mrs. Abbie Stoddard and Mrs. Mary Phillips of Woodstock, R. I., visited at N. Stoddard's a part of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Dase, Stephen Johnson, Mrs. Marie, Henry Nichols and William Hudson attended the G. A. R. reunion held at Dover park this week.

Mrs. Lillian Kellogg of Waterbury was a visitor in town Wednesday.

Miss Laura Jettell of Watfield spent Friday with Mrs. Esther Almsworth.

Sunday, Aug. 8, the pastor, H. Earl Sweet, will exchange with Rev. L. Olin Sherburne, who will preach in the morning and evening. Mr. Sherburne will also administer the sacrament of the Lord's supper. Everybody welcome.

### EAST MONTPELIER

East Montpelier Universalist church—Rev. Frank H. Adams, pastor. Service on Sunday, Aug. 8, at 10:45 a. m.; subject, "What Think Ye of Christ?"

## CONSTANT SELECTION TO IMPROVE RACE

Luther Burbank Declares That Is the Only Way to Bring About a Betterment, in Addressing National Conference.

San Francisco, Aug. 7.—Only by constant selection of the best can any race be improved, said Luther Burbank, the plant specialist, in an address last night before the second National Conference on Race Betterment. His subject was, "Evolution and Variation With the Fundamental Purpose of Sex."

Environment and education, alone, cannot, he said, make appreciable progress in the improvement of the race. But with favorable surroundings and the selection of the best types, the field for improvement is limitless.

Mr. Burbank described the possibilities in plant life of "fixing" characters which benefit the species through natural selection, giving the new combinations new abilities to advance."

"Abundant, well-balanced nourishment and thorough culture of plants or animals," he said, "will always produce good results in holding any species or variety up to its best hereditary possibilities, beyond which it cannot carry them, and lacking which, maximum development can never be realized. But a sharp line must always be drawn between the transient results, temporarily attained through favorable environment and the permanent results of selection of the best individuals for continuing the race."

"What would be the result if all apple, plum, corn, melon or petunia seed was indiscriminately planted? Soon worthless mongrels only, having no character and no value for any purpose."

"Only by constant selection of the best can any race ever be improved. No education, no environment of any nature can ever make any appreciable progress, even though these same favorable surroundings may produce through ages a definite but infinitely slow increment, which by constant repetition becomes slowly available in heredity, but by no means fixed, so that reproduction true to the better type will be depended upon."

"It is becoming increasingly necessary to impress the fact that there are two distinct lines in the improvement of any race; one by favorable environment, which brings individuals up to their best possibilities; the other 10,000 times more important and effective—selection of the best individuals through a series of generations. By this means and by this only, can any race of plants, animals or man be permanently or radically improved. When these two lines of action are combined, all the best qualities of any type are brought forth and fixed—and the field for improvement is limitless."

### World Needs a New Race.

The world needs a new aristocracy—"a real aristocracy made up of Apollos and Venuses and their fortunate progeny," said Dr. J. H. Kellogg of Battle Creek, Mich., in an address on "The Eugenics Registry."

"Instead of such an aristocracy," Dr. Kellogg continued, "we are actually building up an aristocracy of lunatics, idiots, paupers and criminals. These unfit persons already have reached the proportions of a vast multitude: 500,000 lunatics, 80,000 criminals, 100,000 paupers, 90,000 idiots, 90,000 epileptics, and we are supporting these defective in idleness like real aristocrats, at an expense of \$100,000,000 a year, and this mighty host of mental and moral cripples is increasing due to unrestricted marriage and other degenerative influences at a more rapid rate than the sounder part of the population, so that they are bound in time to constitute the majority. Unless some check is put upon the increase, everyone of these lunatics possesses the right to vote even in states where women are not given the right of franchise."

Dr. Kellogg proposed a "scheme for race betterment," which he thought should be set in operation as speedily as possible. This included the establishment of a "health registry" on which should be recorded the results of an annual physical inspection of individuals made by a bureau maintained by the state for the purpose; and of a "eugenics registry" to accomplish in behalf of race hygiene "what the health registry would seek to do for personal health."

"The establishment of such a registry will be one of the most effective means of arousing an interest in health as a personal asset," he said, speaking of the first. "Such a registry would be invaluable in connection with the operation of restricted marriage laws. Of course, a great educational work must be done for the general public before such a registry would be appreciated or even tolerated; but as the people become more intelligent in relation to the value of health as a factor in personal efficiency, and a means by which the physical welfare of the individual and of the race may be promoted, a health ambition toward bodily perfection will be developed in time, health as an asset will come to be esteemed as more precious than gold."

"A eugenics registry would be the beginning of a new and glorified human race which sometime, far down in the future will have so mastered the forces of nature that disease and degeneracy will have been eliminated. Hospitals and prisons will be no longer needed, and the golden age will have been restored as the result of human achievement and obedience to biologic law."

Another suggestion by Dr. Kellogg was a health survey in every community at least every five years.

"In this survey," he said "notes should be made of all particulars relating to water supply, milk supply, and other public matters which might influence health, but especially with reference to the existence of degenerative disorders and hereditary infections, especially insanity. Whatever observations may present themselves at the start will rapidly disappear as the public becomes enlightened in relation to the objects sought by the survey, and the advantages which individuals as well as communities may gain therefrom."

Other proposals included, state dispensaries "with every facility for the most thorough-going investigation of mental conditions"; regular, systematic health inspection of schools, and the organization of a thorough-going system of health education by the state. "Physical perfection contests embracing all ages should be inaugurated in every community," he said. "Medals should be awarded to the winners in each grade. By means of lectures, moving pictures and other means, the public must be educated to an appreciation of the importance of personal medical examination for the purpose of discovering the beginnings of nervous and other disorders."

## An Episode Of the Russian Revolution

By WILLARD BLAKEMAN

A meeting of a revolutionary committee broke up in Petrograd, and the members went out one—sometimes two—at a time—in order that they should not attract the attention of the police. A couple emerging from the building went together down the street.

"Peter," said one to the other in an undertone.

"What is it, Ivan?"

"We have a traitor among us, a spy of the government, who has joined our circle to betray us."

"Heavens! What can we do to circumvent him?"

"It will be impossible without making sacrifices. I am going to the chief of police to denounce him as a traitor to the government, one who pretends to serve it while betraying its secrets to the circle. But I will not be believed unless I betray several of our members at the same time."

"But they will be sent to Siberia."

"We must contrive to get them off before they go, and if that is impossible we must attempt a rescue."

"A rescue! Impossible!"

"We shall see."

Ivan Demitoff the next day was closeted with the chief of police. He named four men who were plotting against the government, including the spy and recommended that they be confined in a room on the top story of a certain building, a window of which could be seen from windows on the opposite side of the street. "Other conspirators," he added, "will learn where they are, will communicate with them and can be arrested." The chief assented to the plan, the arrests were made, and the prisoners were confined as suggested.

Spies were set to watch the opposite side of the street, and if any one was seen making signs to the prisoners the police were to be informed. The men were held several days, but no one was seen to be communicating. Not only did the spies become tired of watching and consequently careless, but those guarding the prisoners relaxed their vigilance. It was hoped that they would all go to sleep at the same time, but they did not. Finally Ivan Demitoff confessed to the chief of police that his plan was a failure, but it was agreed to leave the prisoners where they were one day longer. If at the end of twenty-four hours no other fish were hooked the four men were to be sent to Siberia.

That night at 8 o'clock a man of dark complexion, wearing a red fez, was seen to enter the building where the prisoners were confined. About half past 8 a woman with a long stride went in; later a negro and still later a man in Montenegrin costume. The last of these persons passed in at 10 o'clock, and none of them were seen to pass out.

In the morning when the relief guard went to the building they found the door of the room where the prisoners had been placed locked. They called and were answered by the guard within and told to break down the door. They did so and found the guard bound and gagged, while the prisoners were gone. They told the relief that during the previous evening they were set upon by a number of men dressed in different costumes, who had succeeded in snatching their guns, had overpowered them and taken away the prisoners.

The man who wore the fez, first entering the building, was Ivan Demitoff; the others were members of the circle of which he was a member. They concealed themselves in different parts of the building, and near midnight the negro, who was so black that he could not be distinguished in the darkness, crept up to the top story, where the prisoners were confined, and, peeping, saw that of the four men composing the guard at the door three were sound asleep, and the other was dozing. Returning, he reported what he had seen, and the rescue party, headed by Ivan Demitoff, crawled up the staircase. On reaching the top Demitoff awaited his opportunity, then made a dash for the gun of the man who was nodding.

One of the other men of the rescue party got the gun of a man who was asleep without encountering any resistance, but the two remaining rescuers were obliged to fight for the other weapons. However, it was not a minute before every guard was covered by a gun in the hands of a rescuer.

Demitoff opened the door where the prisoners were confined and found them all awake and intensely interested in what had been going on outside. There were now double the number opposing the guards, and their guns had been taken from them. Ropes and gags had been brought, and the first thing done was the insertion of the ladder. Then the guards were bound, laid on the floor, the door locked, and the rescue party departed with the prisoners.

The three head side members of the circle made their escape across the border. One remained in Germany; the two others went to America. Demitoff did not dare face a suspicion of having had a hand in the rescue, though he had been well disguised, so he made off for parts unknown. He turned up in the United States, where he became a head center for an association of exiles who plotted to aid their fellow workers in Russia.

The fourth man who was rescued was never heard from after his rescue. It is supposed that he suffered for his treachery before the party separated.

### WILLIAMSTOWN

We wish to extend our sincere thanks to the many friends and neighbors for their kindness through the sickness and death of our loved wife and mother, and for their social offerings; also the singers and chorists.

John Whitehead,  
Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Whaley,  
Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Leason,

## HERE AND THERE AMONG THE FLOWERS.

Abutilons, Nasturtiums, and Pansies.

Spraying roses encourages the starting and swelling of buds, which is one reason why this operation should be performed every evening. Grafted roses make great efforts to push new buds from the top of the base, and every shoot of this kind should be removed as soon as it appears. This is also the time to keep the hoe busy to prevent the cracks and fissures in the soil and the caking of the surface. When plants droop, water them freely, either in the early morning or in the evening.

For garden or greenhouse culture, abutilons may be as strongly recommended as any other plant. They bloom every month of the year, and their culture is as simple as that of geraniums. Abutilon cuttings strike their roots very freely with a little bottom heat in winter and early spring, and in summer they are easily rooted in a closed frame. It is customary to root the cuttings early in the summer by placing them in pots in sheltered, shady spots until the roots develop, and then planting them in the open ground. The pot-grown ones should be pinched back, which secures a bushy shape, while older plants are cut back almost to the ground when they have finished flowering, or, if large plants are wanted, they may be kept growing.

Nasturtiums do best in rather poor soil. A rich seed-bed encourages plant growth at the expense of flowers. In trimming lawn edges, cut along a tightly drawn garden line or the edge of a plank. In the case of an edge being damaged, repair it by cutting out a square-sized turf at the injured spot and replace the sod with the damaged side inward, and then fill in the cavity with good soil, and scatter some seed over it.

### Pansies and How to Increase Them.

Lovers of pansies who are planning to increase their beds next season may do so now by taking cuttings or by dividing the clumps. Both of these methods are used where there happens to be a collection of choice sorts. For cuttings, the best shoots to use are those which push up from the center of the plants in summer and early autumn. With care, these shoots may sometimes be removed from the parent plants, with a few roots attached. Soil suitable for cuttings should be composed of a mixture of light, sandy loam, in the proportion of one part loam, one part leaf-mould, and one

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part coarse sand. Whichever sized pots are used, they should be half filled with drainage. Place the cuttings in the pots, and set them in a sheltered, semi-shaded spot, and keep the soil moist until the cuttings are well rooted. Then transplant to a larger pot, and as the weather grows colder, put in a cold frame for the winter. Clump divisions may be treated in the same way. Larger pots, however, are required for this.

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